

**BEFORE  
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Application of Angelina :  
Solar I, LLC for a Certificate of : Case No. 18-1579-EL-BGN  
Environmental Compatibility and Public Need :

**PREFILED TESTIMONY  
OF  
JASON CROSS**

**BUSINESS RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OHIO POWER SITING BOARD STAFF**

**Staff Ex. \_\_\_\_**

**May 10, 2019**

1 1. Q. Please state your name and business address.

2 A. My name is Jason A. Cross, and my business address is 180 East Broad  
3 Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

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5 2. Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?

6 A. I am employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) as  
7 a Business Process Analyst 2, in the Information Technology division of the  
8 Commission's Business Resources Department. At the time of the issuance  
9 of the staff report I was a Utilities Specialist 3, in the GIS and Operations  
10 division of the Commission's Rates and Analysis Department.

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12 3. Q. Please summarize your educational background and work experience.

13 A. I received an Associates of Science degree in Electronics Engineering  
14 Technology from ITT Technical Institute in 1993 and a Bachelor of Science  
15 degree in Electronics Engineering Technology from DeVry University in  
16 1998.

17 I have been employed by the Commission for roughly eighteen years, from  
18 2001 to present. While employed in the Rates and Analysis Department, my  
19 responsibilities at the Commission have primarily involved engineering,  
20 including, but not limited to, grid interconnection, Ohio's bulk electric  
21 system, and regional transmission organizations. I have been the Staff

1 expert on grid interconnection related items in over one hundred staff  
2 reports.

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4 4. Q. Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Ohio Power Siting Board  
5 (Board)?

6 A. Yes. The most recent case I testified in was an American Electric Power  
7 Ohio Transmission Company (Case No. 11-1313-EL-BSB) proceeding. In  
8 addition, I have assisted in the preparation of multiple staff reports and  
9 investigations before the Board and the Commission.

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11 5. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

12 A. With my testimony, I am sponsoring a portion of the Staff Report of  
13 Investigation (Staff Report). Specifically, I was a Staff analyst for portions  
14 of the Staff Report pertaining to whether the Applicant has provided  
15 information that the facility is consistent with regional plans for expansion  
16 of the electric power grid of the electric systems serving this state and  
17 interconnected utility systems and that the facility will serve the interests of  
18 electric system economy and reliability.

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20 6. Q. Does this facility serve the electric system economy and reliability?

21 A. The Applicant included PJM Interconnection, LLC's (PJM) System Impact  
22 Study (SIS) in its application. The SIS showed that there would be no

1 reliability problem with the project. PJM, as the responsible party for the  
2 regional transmission system, established that no reliability violations  
3 would occur with this project. Furthermore, the project would provide  
4 additional electrical generation to the regional transmission grid.

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6 7. Q. Where you responsible for any specific conditions in the Staff Report? If so,  
7 which ones?

8 A. Yes, condition 27.

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10 8. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

11 A. Yes it does. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental testimony  
12 as described herein, as new information subsequently becomes available or  
13 in response to positions taken by other parties.

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I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Prefiled Testimony of Jason Cross, submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board, was served via electronic mail upon the below parties.

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